



'A light has gone out in our town'

MAYOR'S POIGNANT TRIBUTE TO THE 'FIRST LADY OF LYME'



Photo by MIKE DONNO

■ **LYME'S FIRST LADY:** Barbara Austin pictured at the recent old folks' Christmas lunch

A SHADOW was cast over Lyme's post-Christmas celebrations when the town awoke on Saturday morning to hear of the overnight death of Barbara Austin MBE in Dorchester Hospital.

Lyme-born Councillor Austin, 80, was known as the "First Lady of Lyme" for her charity work over a number of years.

She was awarded the MBE in the 2010 New Year's Honours List for services to the community.

Tributes have been pouring in from local community leaders, led by current mayor Sally Holman, who said: "Barbara had a great love of her home town, worked tirelessly for it and will be greatly missed. This is a very sad day for Lyme Regis."

"A great light has gone out of out in our town."

Councillor Austin has

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been in indifferent health for several months but she did not allow it to affect her community duties.

She spent Christmas Day with her family but was rushed into hospital in the early hours of Friday morning with breathing

difficulties. She served as mayor of Lyme Regis for two three-year terms after the death of her husband, former postman Norman Austin, with friend Sheila Applebee at her side as mayoress throughout her years in office.

She was also president of Lyme Regis Football Club

and Lyme Regis Majorettes, a former governor at St Michael's Primary School and was connected with numerous other local organisations.

Other groups she was connected with included the Junior Band, RNLI

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“Barbara was a one-off. We shall never see her likes in Lyme again. She has left a huge whole in the community life of the town she loved”

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■ **LIGHTING UP LYME:** Barbara Austin pioneered the town's Christmas illuminations, the best in the area, and did not miss the big switch-on on December 1st despite being in poor health

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difficulties.

Councillor Austin continued her work for the community right up to the end, presiding over the switching on of the town's Christmas illuminations on December 1st and the annual old folks' Christmas lunch on December 15th.

Councillor Austin was instrumental in forming a committee to raise funds

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BARBARA AUSTIN MBE

Passed away peacefully in hospital on the 29th December 2012, aged 80 years.
Beloved wife of the late Norman. Much loved mother of Jane, Richard, David, Kerry and Adam and a loving nan and great-nan.
Funeral Service to be held at The Parish Church of St. Michael The Archangel, Lyme Regis, on Thursday 10th January at 11.00am
Family flowers only please, but donations if desired for the Over 70's Christmas Lunch or The Christmas Lights Fund may be given at the Service or sent c/o W. G. Potter Funeral Directors, William Potter House, 5 West Street, Axminster, EX13 5NX.

BORN in Cambridge, Jake Reilly trained as a cabinet maker in Hackney, London, before moving to Blandford Forum in Dorset.

He made bespoke furniture and fitted kitchens before becoming factory manager for a company making eco-house kits. The 44-year-old is now production manager for renowned shepherd hut makers Plankbridge.

He now lives in Dorchester with his wife and two sons.

● WHAT does your job entail?

My job entails overseeing our workshop and team of eight hut-makers, ensuring that each bespoke hut is built and finished on schedule and to the exacting standards that our customers expect. I also have to build huts myself so the job has a good variety.

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● HAVE you always liked building things?

I have always made things with wood, from helping my dad build bookshelves as a boy, to making dens and tree houses and then training as a cabinet maker. It is immensely satisfying to see a project through from be-



ginning to end and to know that all the work has been done by you.

● IS living/work space becoming increasingly important to people?

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own businesses from home, and want to have separate space from the house to do so. They may need the room in the house for a growing family and a hut allows them to continue without the expense of renting office space. The hut can always be changed internally if requirements change.

● WHAT is the most interesting living space you have ever seen?

In the mid 90s I travelled round Europe with a group of friends and met many British travellers in vehicles that they had converted such as a Panorama Coach which I helped build a kitchen for. Probably the most amazing was a removals lorry that had been converted into a beautiful home for a family of four. It had a fold-down balcony made from the tailgate, a boot room, a kitchen area, a sitting area with a wood burner, a sleeping pod for the kids and up a spiral staircase built out of old school desks complete with lifting lids for storage and the parents' bed area. I would love to take an old vehicle and convert it in to a living space complete with lots of clever storage and space saving ideas myself.

● WHAT do you like about living in Dorset?

Having moved from East London we have never regretted it or wanted to return. West Dorset is such a beautiful part of the world, with such a variety of great beaches and walks, great country pubs, delicious local beers and friendly people.

● WHAT do you hope for 2013?

In 2013 I hope to help Plankbridge build on the successes of the last several years. I would like to start playing badminton again after an injury has kept me away for a few months. All the usual resolutions; get fit, lose weight etc. but also to do more exploring in Dorset.

● WHAT objects do you always carry with you?

I always carry my phone and my Leatherman Wave multi-tool, which my sons bought for my birthday 2 years ago. I use it every single day at work and now feel lost without it.

● WHO would play you in the biopic movie of your life?

I asked my so called friends who might play me in the biopic of my life and got Danny De Vito, Brad Pitt and Martin Clunes! Make of that what you will.

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MBE for Lyme resident

LYME Regis resident Philip White, chief executive of the Hestercombe Gardens Trust, was honoured with an MBE for his remarkable services to heritage garden restoration in the 2013 New Year's Honours list.

A delighted Mr White (pictured), who lives in Hill Rise Road, said: "This has come as a great surprise, but it's been a great privilege to be able to restore Hestercombe's extraordinary historic landscape."

"I have been associated with the gardens since 1992 when I first realised that hidden beneath the coniferous woodland and brambles in the valley behind Hestercombe House, were the remains of a once beautiful, eighteenth century landscape garden complete with lakes, cascades, garden buildings and stunning vistas. You could say, it then became my life's mission to restore it."

Hestercombe, located near Taunton, already boasted a Grade I listed formal Edwardian garden, designed by architect

Edwin Lutyens with planting plans by Gertrude Jekyll, which had initially undergone restoration in the 1970s, but it was Philip White's determination to uncover the landscape garden that transformed the whole site into the acclaimed attraction it is today and listed amongst the top 20 gardens in Britain.

Former dairy farmer and wildlife conservationist, Mr White's achievement is one of sheer determination and endeavour which involved mortgaging his house to fund the initial felling of hundreds of trees and removing 17,000 tonnes of silt from the choked up lakes.

The Great Cascade flows again

Securing a grant from the Countryside Commission in 1993 for a historical survey of the site provided the information that allowed the restoration to move forward and armed with a water colour of the garden by its original 18th century creator, Coplestone Warre Bampfylde, Mr White was able to start to reveal the structure of the garden; the mausoleum

and temple were rebuilt and the Great Cascade flowed again.

Ten years later a Heritage Lottery grant of £3.7 million towards the total £4.9 million cost of the next stage of restoration and development enabled the coach house and stables to be converted into a state of the art visitor centre as well as continuing the restoration of the landscape and formal gardens.

A £1.6 million project to restore the 17th century mill and barn complex, and on-going restoration in the Edwardian garden and Victorian shrubbery have contributed to Hestercombe's unique status as being the only site in Britain where visitors can explore three centuries of garden history. The latest project involves Hestercombe House, which is shortly to be gifted to the trust by Somerset County Council when it will be put to a number of uses including becoming the Hestercombe Centre for Young Musicians, part of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

TRIBUTES TO BARBARA AUSTIN

FELLOW councillors and staff of the town council were greatly saddened to learn that Barbara Austin had passed away on Saturday.

Although her health had been a concern for some time, Barbara's characteristic selfless determination to continue her long standing involvement with many good works locally, whilst also keeping abreast of council business, was an example to all.

Her sense of duty and pride in the civic traditions of Lyme Regis set a high standard for others to follow.

She is on record recently stating that her six years as Mayor were some of the most memorable years of her life and her popularity in the role of Lyme's first citizen, proven on more than one occasion at the ballot box, is a testament to the high regard in which she was held in the town.

Mayor Sally Holman said: "The loss to the council of Barbara's long experience and wise counsel will be keenly felt. She will be missed and fondly remembered by a great many people for her work in the community and for always putting the interests of Lyme Regis first."

Town Clerk Mike Lewis

I AM so sad to hear of Barbara's death, she was a very special lady who gave so much to Lyme. Barbara has been such a leading light in the town for very many years and her legacy will continue in the many projects in which she was involved. I suppose it is apt that she has left us at a time when her Christmas lights shine so brightly over Lyme. I am not sure that we will ever replace people like Barbara. My thoughts are with her family at this time.

Anita Williams, Deputy Mayor

LYME Regis Football club is devastated by the loss of one of its modern-day icons. Barbara was our joint-longest serving club President since the war and in her 14 years in office oversaw what is undoubtedly the most successful period in the club's history.

Her calm presence was a great support for the club during this time and we will all miss her greatly. Hopefully she will be watching us from Spittles Lane alongside all of the club's legendary figures from days gone by - she certainly deserves a front row seat!

We will strive to mark Barbara's passing by retaining the Perry Street League championship for the first time in our 127-year history. Our thoughts are with the family during this difficult time.

**Howard Larcombe,
Chairman, Lyme Regis Football Club**

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The credit union is looking for more volunteers to run the service point in St Mary's Church, Bridport, for one Saturday morning each month.

It was 'family first' despite Barbara's community work

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shop volunteers, the Lyme Regis-St George's Twinning Association, the Woodmead Halls Management Committee and the Lyme Regis Community Bingo Association. In fact, there were few locals groups that had not benefited from Mrs Austin's fundraising skills over the years.

As a mother of five, and before her civic life, she worked tirelessly as a fundraiser for youth causes, including the primary school, boys club and football club.

She is survived by four sons - Richard, David, Kerry and Adam - and daughter Jane, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Eldest son Richard thanked all those who have sent messages of condolence.

"Our phone has not stopped ringing," he said.

"We were aware of mum's work for the town and how much she was respected. But whatever she did for the town, she did five times over for the family. Family always came first. As children, we wanted for nothing and she always made our Christmases the best ever."

The funeral service will take place on Thursday, January 10th at St Michael's Parish Church.

Mrs Austin's death will leave a vacancy on Lyme Regis Town Council which will be filled at a by-election if the requisite number of electors call for one.

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Lyme micro-breweries branch out to Devon for Christmas beer festival



■ **CHRISTMAS TIPPLE:** Mark Jenkin of Mighty Hop Brewery, John Whinnerah of Art Brew in Chideock, Richard Surtees and Allan Swannell of the Town Mill Brewery, and festival DJ Paul Hayward

TWO breweries from Lyme Regis crossed the border to take part in a Christmas Beer Festival.

The Mighty Hop Brewery and Town Mill Brewery, both based in Lyme, organised the festival in Axminster alongside Art Brew of Chideock. The three micro-breweries usually work together to

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put on the annual Lyme Regis Beer Festival at the Marine Theatre, which will be held again in March 2013.

The Christmas Beer Festival was held in Axminster Guildhall on Saturday,

December 22nd.

Town Mill Brewery manager Richard Surtees said: "It's our first festival in Axminster. Our normal one is at the end of March in Lyme Regis, but we are keen to branch out and

thought it might interest a few people a few days before Christmas."

The event meant that Axminster did get a beer festival after all in 2012. The town's annual showpiece – Axminster Beer, Music and Cider Festival – was scheduled for the last Saturday in June but fell victim to the wet weather.

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Mudslide dislodges chalet

EMERGENCY services and council officials are keeping a close watch on the cliffs above Monmouth Beach in Lyme Regis after a serious landslide damaged a £140,000 chalet overlooking Lyme Bay.

Police closed part of Monmouth Beach on Friday evening after a 200 feet mudslide pushed the cedar-clad chalet off its foundations, leaving it precariously perched at a 30 degree angle.

With heavy overnight rain and further slips expected, coastguards were also called in and the Dorset Police helicopter circled over the site to check that no one was on the landslide.

The chalet is owned by builder Chris Edgar, who bought the property just a few months ago. The BBC reported that he had already spent a significant sum strengthening his property with steel and concrete and was confident the chalet could be repaired.

Council officials were on site early on Saturday morning including Councillor Mark Gage, chairman of the Strategy and Policy Committee, who was co-ordinating the town council's response.

Other town and district councillors, including Daryl Turner, George Symonds and Anita Williams, were also on site over the weekend.

Councillor Gage said all chalet owners had been informed about the situation and those who visited their

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properties were escorted on and off the site to ensure no one took unnecessary risks.

Electricity workers were also called in to disconnect the power to the damaged chalet.

Earlier in the week council officials pulled forward three caravans from the foot of the cliff to avoid possible damage.

Natural England earlier this week closed the Undercliff footpath on Ware Cliffs to walkers because of land movement and slips have been reported at Crow's Nest and Underhill Farm.

Councillor Gage said the town council would be monitoring the situation over the coming days and issuing a statement after the New Year break.

Monmouth Beach, which provides the town council with substantial revenue from site fees, is a notoriously unstable area and has been the site of landslips for hundreds of years.

Town and district councillor Daryl Turner has been urging his colleagues on the town council to increase their reserves to cover any unexpected costs caused by the unstable cliffs.



■ **TILTING TOWARDS THE SEA:** A 200 feet mudslide shifted this chalet, named Top Shack, forward, leaving it at a 30 degree angle following heavy rain, but owner Chris Edgar is confident it can be repaired. The chalet was the only one damaged on Monmouth Beach but further land movement on Ware Cliffs has been reported



■ **MONITORING THE SITUATION:** Councillor Mark Gage (right), chairman of the town council's Strategy and Policy Committee, and town and district councillor George Symonds pictured in front of the stricken chalet on Saturday morning

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Huge crowd cheers on brave swimmers

AT LEAST 100 swimmers are thought to have braved the icy waters on Christmas Day in Charmouth.

The annual Christmas Day swim, organised by the Royal Oak in aid of the RNLI was another great success with an estimated 100 turning up in all kinds of fancy dress to take a dip.

Brave swimmers were

CHRISTMAS IN CHARMOUTH

By Francesca Evans

cheered on by a huge crowd which lined the beach.

Among those taking part were Royal Oak landlord Phil Aylett and friends dressed as cartoon characters, and Isabelle Ward who has taken the plunge almost

every year since the event was first established 40 years ago.

Mr Aylett said he was very pleased with the success of the event and collections on the day had raised £1,600 with more money still coming in.



■ A CHRISTMAS DIP! Entrants of this year's Charmouth Christmas Day Swim dash into the sea in fancy dress. Pictured on this page and page 7, entrants show off their costumes before taking the plunge



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Town celebrates Christmas with annual carol service



■ LYME Regis celebrated the festive season with the annual Carols Around the Tree service just before Christmas. The service was organised by the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis, who served hot chestnuts and soup throughout. Singers lined Broad Street around the town's tree and were accompanied in their favourite carols by Lyme Regis Town Band. Among those taking part was the Mayor, Councillor Sally Holman, accompanied by Mayoress Jane Whittington, Deputy Mayor Councillor Anita Williams and her consort Keith Killingback, and former mayor Ken Dibben. Town crier Alan Vian announced the carols.



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News in a Nutshell

New Coastwatch website

THE National Coastwatch Institution Lyme Bay branch has recently launched a new website offering details on its own activities and safety information for those living on or visiting the Jurassic Coast.

The site provides links to the Met Office, inshore waters forecast, the iCoast website, tidal information, gale warnings, flood warnings etc., plus links to organisations such as the National Trust, Border Agency and local coastguard rescue teams, and even links to the "AIS" services providing illustrations of movements of ships and aircraft.

It is hoped the site will make a contribution to raising awareness regarding the hazards that can spoil enjoyment of the coast and even lead to a tragedy.

The new website is www.lymebaycoastwatch.co.uk

ArtsFest hold annual meeting

THE annual general meeting of Lyme Regis ArtsFest will be held on Thursday, January 24th at 7pm in the Guildhall.

The current ArtsFest committee offers a warm invitation to everyone to come along to the meeting for a brief review of ArtsFest 2012, looking forward to 2013, the election of steering committee members and consideration of small changes to the constitution.

Non-artists as well as potential new artists are invited to come along and find out more. For those that would like to get involved, there are several roles waiting to be filled.

Following official business artist Keith Robinson will lead a conversation about selected works of art.

Amnesty raise £450 at coffee morning

THE Lyme Regis group of Amnesty International raised over £450 at its annual Human Rights Day celebration in December.

About 60 people attended the brach's two-hour fundraising coffee morning. Guests enjoyed home-made cupcakes and wrote messages of good will to prisoners of conscience and human rights activists in Laos, Honduras and China.

The Hub looking ahead to 2013

A REVIEW OF THE YEAR AT THE HUB By Development Group chairman Les Herbert

ANOTHER year has flown by so I thought it would be good to close the year with by answering the question, "what has been going on down at The Hub during 2012?"

Where do I start? Firstly, I think a big thank you to everyone who has been involved with The Hub. Secondly, on behalf of all of us at The Hub, we would like to thank the following who have given great support to the facility, with either equipment, funding or personal help: Martin Fowler (Fowlers Hire & Sales of Bridport), the former committee members of the Community Players, Stuart Carver, James Ward-Rice and his team (Youth Services), Neville Causley, Ray Farrell and Lyme Regis Golf Club members, Councillor Terry O'Grady and all the former fundraising team, Lee Caddy and Lynnette Ravenscroft and Diana Dixon. Without your help and support we would not be where we are today.

All this support has

helped bring this building alive and we are now open every week night - three nights for the local youth, B Sharp and Lyme Regis Majorettes on the other two nights. We have also held several big events in the main hall including a children's Diamond Jubilee tea party and music concerts and workshops held by B Sharp. Coming up in the New Year we have a couple of new groups who will be holding gym sessions on Tuesdays and pre-school sessions, followed by after school recreational gym. The other group are hoping to start Scottish Dancing (from February), starting on Sundays between 6.30pm and 9.30pm.

We have over this last year carried out a lot of major work which has helped bring the building and its facilities up to a good standard. Here are a

few of the key areas of work which has been carried out:

- Electrical safety work to bring everything up to current standards, including new power system for stage area
- New lighting in the Hub Café, landing area and office areas
- New gate for front of building.
- Complete new stage area and major replacement of joist under stage and main floor
- Fire doors, equipment, lock replacements and widening of staircase
- Hall storage areas for equipment etc.
- Computer and internet support
- Improved drainage at rear of building
- New windows and security bars at rear of building

There have been many others and there is still much more to do during

this next year. We will be starting this programme off with replacing the main lights in the upstairs hall, planned for January. We also have a working party of volunteers who will start to paint the stage area and hall walls.

We plan to purchase stage curtains, hall tables and chairs and a music system for the café from the funds already raised and grants which we have applied for. However, funding, like in lots of other groups, is very

hard to get and we still have more major work to carry out. These form part of our "Wish List". We have no heating in the main hall area, so we need to install eco-friendly heating, plus start the installation of disabled toilets, make the hall acoustically friendly and replace our front windows.

All these and many more jobs still to be completed and I and others will be working very hard to raise more funds for The Hub. Please re-

member, if you would like more information on The Hub or if you wish to hire the facility contact Diane Earle, Hub administrator, on 01297 445021 or email diane.earle1@btinternet.com

Well, that leaves me with one last thing to say - may I wish you all and your families a happy New Year for 2013. Once again thank you to everyone who has been involved with this community project.

Les Herbert

Tourism centre win top award

STAFF at Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre are celebrating after receiving a top tourism award.

The West Dorset District Council-run centre on Church Street has won the South West Tourism Excellence Award. The centre was chosen as one of the winners in the Tourist Information Service of the Year category and staff will be presented with their award at a ceremony in February.

This year marks the ninth time in as many years that a West Dorset District Council-run Tourist Information Centre has been shortlisted for an award.

Robert Gould, leader of West Dorset District Council, said: "It is great news that Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre has won this award and I'd like to thank the team for all their hard work. They provide

a great service to visitors and residents.

"I am delighted that even in these tough economic times West Dorset District Council is still able to provide award winning services while keeping council tax levels low."

The South West Tourism Excellence Awards celebrate the best in the west and aim to recognise the leading businesses and individuals in the tourism industry.

Staff at the centre were tested by a mystery shopper and they also entered a written application. The team will find out if they have won a gold, silver or bronze award at the South West Awards Ceremony on February 8th at the Eden Project.

The district council runs four tourist information centres in Dorchester, Bridport, Lyme Regis and Sherborne.

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LymeLetters

There is an alternative viable option for Whistler's Wood

■ I OWN Rose Hill, Silver Street, and I am opposing the planned development of Whistler's Wood.

One key point raised in the planning application and Stuart Case's letter in the *View from Lyme Regis* (December 19th) is that there is no other viable alternative to protect the wood. This is not true. As I set out in my attached objection, about 18 months ago I made a substantial offer to the owner to buy the wood – and to keep it in its entirety as a wood and not for development. This offer remains in place. I would be happy to sign whatever covenants are necessary to prevent any future development, restore the health of the wood, maintain its on-going good health and make it available at certain times of the year for the enjoyment of local towns people and schools.

I do acknowledge that the monetary value of my offer is significantly less than what the owner would receive if the wood was sold for development. But the fact remains that the assertion that this woodland cannot be viably protected is simply not true.

Equally should the owner wish to donate the wood to the town or the Lyme Regis Society, I would be happy to make a significant donation to a trust established for its restoration and on-going maintenance as a woodland area in its entirety.

The other point I challenge is the size and scale of the proposed buildings. As the illustrations in my attached

submission show, these are substantial properties, the larger property is 25 feet high – circa 33 feet wide. This is a substantial property by any measure. The second property, although slightly smaller is still over 21 feet high and 28 feet wide. These buildings will have a substantial adverse impact on the wood and surrounding area.

The town council have kindly deferred the review of this application by the Planning and Highways Committee to 7pm on January 15th to give those deeply concerned about this proposed development more time to prepare our objections. I strongly encourage as many town residents as possible to attend this meeting at the Guildhall and support our opposition to this application.

There are highly practical and much more attractive alternatives which would provide lasting protection and improvement for the wood. Surely one of these would be a far better outcome than letting one of the last remaining areas of greenery in the centre of the town go for development – which no matter how sensitively it is designed and carried out – will have a substantial negative impact versus the alternatives of protecting the wood, in its entirety and making it more widely available for the people of Lyme Regis.

Ian Chivers
Silver Street, Lyme Regis

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Pudding Race an 'excellent' first event

■ HAVING read your editorial in the *View from Lyme Regis* ("Well, you can't please them all", December 19th) I felt I must comment on The Great Lyme Regis Christmas Pudding Race.

As a helper on the day I felt the whole event went off very well indeed. Everyone including the participants, the public and the helpers seemed to enjoy it very much. Not to mention the sum raised for Cancer Research UK.

As it was the first event of this nature to have been staged in Lyme Regis there were bound to be lessons learned and no doubt the organising committee will take all suggestions on board and put them into practice for future Christmas Pudding Races.

I would agree that there could have been more space designated for the public to view the event and possibly some changes to the layout. You were not to know

the amount of space the inflatables, which gave so much fun, would have taken up until they arrived but I am sure you will take this into account next year.

Overall I thought the event was excellent and well organised. Only a few of us know just how much work went into this event and how long it took to get all the things together and that includes the publicity which I thought was excellent. I accept that television could have been more involved but we are on the fringes of their catchment so they may not take us seriously, yet!

I would like to congratulate you all yet again and especially you, Mr Editor, for undertaking the challenge of organising such an excellent and entertaining event and we all look forward to next year's race

Danny Hopkins
(by email)

Mermaid sign: what's your point?

■ IN response to G. Manley's letter of December 19th: if he cared to carry out his research he would see that planning permission for the mermaid sign outside the former Tudor Hotel was granted by West Dorset District Council in April 2006 (application no.1/W/06/000405).

I am unclear as to the point that he is trying to make. I can accept that he would prefer that the town should retain its history. I can respect his view that some upstart of a young mermaid (breasts and all) becoming part of the modern image of an up-and-coming town might offend some of the more sensitive old folk.

However, I have to question his objection to our shop

sign. Is he suggesting that Tesco should still sport the Woolworths sign, W.H. Smiths should still be called Acorn, and so on?

Visitors love our sign and often comment on its originality. Artists have portrayed the nude female figure for centuries without causing offense. If an established local artist submits a design to bring the image of our town into the 21st century are the town folk really so prudish as to be offended by her graceful anatomy?

The Mermaid,
Church Street, Lyme Regis

Is the free bus pass for all over 60s still viable?

■ I AM pleased to enter the debate regarding the necessity and viability of maintaining the free bus service for qualifying people now that the local Dorset authorities are considering the future of the scheme.

I can appreciate that, in these difficult economic times, some financial savings have to be made. However, cuts should be targeted at non residents; not at people who live here and desperately need the service.

Instead of cutting out all free bus passes it would be more reasonable to restrict them only to the people living in the county of issue, sanctioning users to have a free ride where they start and finish within their shire.

West Country residents are subsidising the visiting holidaymakers who don't pay local taxes but who enjoy the local benefits.

John Hounsell,
Haye Lane, Lyme Regis

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There will never be another Barbara

I THOUGHT the Mayor, Sally Holman, got it exactly right when paying tribute to Barbara Austin, who died on Saturday morning, when she said: "A light has gone out in our town".

Her deputy, Anita Williams, also made an apposite comment in her tribute, pointing out how appropriate it was that the Christmas lights were shining so brightly over Lyme Regis when Barbara passed away.

It was Barbara, of course, who did something about Lyme's

dreadful festive illuminations a few years ago and like so many other occasions with Barbara, she didn't just moan about it but rolled up her sleeves and got on with the job of raising £8,000 every Christmas to make Lyme the most attractive town for miles over the festive period.

One thing I am sure about, we will never see the likes of Barbara Austin in this town again.

As a close friend of her eldest son Richard, I was informed of her death early on Satur-

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans



day morning. It was the news that many in the town had been dreading for some time.

I knew Barbara had been ill; in fact she had been struggling with her health for many months, and those closest to her urged her to slow down.

Barbara would have

none of it and it is a testament to her incredible commitment to the town she loved so much that she was doing her bit right up until the end.

As well as leading the small fundraising team that organised the Christmas lights, Barbara was also the leading

light behind the organisation of the Old Folks' Christmas Lunch. She was at the forefront of this year's event on December 15th, despite her failing health, greeting the over 70s as they arrived at the Alexandra Hotel as she had done for so many years. We al-

ways tried to get her to sit down with the town's senior citizens but she never would. The fact is she did not consider herself to be old and she flatly refused.

In recent years I have sat on a number of committees with Barbara and attended others she was involved in as a reporter. Often I would pick her up from outside her flat in Clappentail Lane.

Whenever I pulled up at her home she was always waiting outside with relevant file in hand. Never late, always immaculately turned

out. I will miss those little detours.

It would be impossible to put an estimate on how much money she has raised for local groups and good causes over the years.

As a young mother with four rumbustious sons and a daughter to bring up with husband Norman, a local postman, she was always quick to respond when helping out the town's youth was concerned.

The primary school, football club and boys' club were her particular favourites but over the years there can't be many local groups who did not benefit from her drive and enthusiasm when it came to getting things done.

Her civic career came after the death of her husband and she went on to be Lyme's longest serving first citizen, completing two terms of three years, always with the loyal Sheila Applebee, a great friend, at her side as mayoress. Norman would have been so proud of her, as were all her family.

I remember well their excitement when I took a photo of both of them looking resplendent in their posh frocks and hats before setting off to attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace.

Later, Barbara was awarded the MBE for her services to the community, much deserved and, in the opinion of many, long overdue.

Such was her modesty that she thought it was a joke until she finally got round to opening up the letter from the Cabinet Office.

To those who had tried to do their bit for the community over the years, Barbara was always a shining example and an inspiration.

She had little time for those who just talked a good game and gave short shrift to anyone who dared to criticise her beloved home town.

There is no doubt that a light has gone out in our town. But the glowing reflection of her memory will flicker for always.

There will never be another Barbara Austin.

Lyme's creeping cliffs causing council more headaches

FURTHER slippage of the cliffs at Monmouth Beach was inevitable, given the extreme weather conditions of late.

The shifting slopes that span the Jurassic Coast have never been more unstable and Lyme Regis Town Council has long come to realise they can take no chances with irascibility of blue lias.

Hence, council officials have been keeping a close eye on Monmouth Beach where cliff falls have been prevalent for hundreds of years and, as the rain got heavier, they sprung into action. Three vulnerable caravans were pulled away from the cliff face and emergency plans were dusted off.

Those plans, co-ordinated by Dorset County Coun-

cil and West Dorset District Council, were quietly implemented with police being dispatched to close Monmouth Beach as chunks of cliff started slipping seawards.

One chalet, said to have changed hands just three months ago for £140,000, was pushed off its foundations to a 30 degree angle. Others under threat escaped damaged.

Councillors turned out to lend a hand if required and see how serious the situation looked and, on Saturday morning, Mark Gage, chairman of the town council's Strategy and Policy Committee, had taken control of the situation in an efficient and calm manner.

The council, of course, has a financial interest in the

protection of the chalets with licence fees contributing significantly every year to balancing the municipal books. However, first priority was the protection of property and ensuring that people were kept well away from any danger.

As always happens, the precariously perched chalet became a bit of tourist attraction on Saturday and Sunday, boosting numbers to the Cobb area.

Councils are easy targets for inadequate or lethargic response in such circumstances but not on this occasion. They could do little more – but there, they have had plenty of experience when it comes to the dark and dangerous mud masses above Monmouth Beach.

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system which in turn results in Pilates exercises helping people who have; back pain, sports injuries, postural imbalances, stress and depression, low immunity and common illnesses, headaches & tension, strokes, osteoporosis and arthritis.

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Change your mind and change your life

STUCK in a rut? Old habits stronger than you are? Wish you really could start the New Year as a New You?

What's stopping you? Well, once something's taken root in the subconscious part of your mind, it can be impossible for you to get to it to change it and so the problems keep repeating, time after time, year after year.

Which is why you put back on all the weight struggled so hard to take off.

And why you still find yourself stressing and worrying even though you know it does no good – and actually makes it harder to deal with things when you're worn out with anxious thoughts.

Susan Gale, of the Beltain Centre in Dorchester, can use Hypnotherapy and her years of experience to help you break your mind out of the rut and get free of the old patterns once and for all.

Susan has been working as a hypnotherapist since 1989 and has helped many people clear many different problems. She can help you break free. Take a look at her website www.beltain.co.uk or phone her on 01305 267069 to see how she could help you.



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For Information on your local Slimming world group pop on to the web site www.slimmingworld.com look up your nearest group for your con-

sultants group times and contact details and we will be happy to answer any questions or queries. wishing all members past and present happy new year.



Ten top tips to help you look and feel your best in this year!

TO help get you started on those small but meaningful changes, here are 10 fast and easy health and beauty resolutions - little things you can do to positively change the way you feel - and the way you look - in 2012! Try one - or all ten - and you'll see the difference before spring!

1. Never go to bed wearing make-up. No matter how tired you are, no matter how late it is, take just two minutes to slather on and tissue off a facial cleanser and your skin will thank you. Not only will it help remove surface bacteria that could encourage break-outs, most make up is drying to the skin so removing it will help reduce wrinkling while you sleep. If you can squeeze in 30 more seconds for a quick application of moisturiser, you'll see a definite difference in your face in 7 days or less!

2. Never leave the house without sunscreen on your face. I know... you've heard it all before. But I promise you that taking this two minute step will not only yield enormous health benefits (like reducing your risk of skin cancer) it's also the single most important anti aging skin care step you can take. It's true - the sun IS the number one cause of wrinkles and aging skin. And sunscreen - well it's the biggest

gun in your wrinkle defense arsenal! To make using it easy and automatic, look for either a moisturiser or a foundation with an SPF 15.

3. Protect your lips - and look younger! Protect your pucker with a lip gloss or balm containing sunscreen. When lips are hydrated and protected they will automatically look fuller - and you'll look younger! You can capitalise on the protection if you swap out a matte lipstick for a high wattage gloss in a medium warm pink tone.

4. Whiten your teeth. If you haven't done it yet, this is the one resolution you MUST try! Not only is it the quickest, most inexpensive way to take years off your appearance, it can boost your confidence and give you that polished, well groomed look.

5. Clean out your make-up bag/ bathroom drawer/ vanity - and throw away any products you've had more than a year. Not only can this help prevent potentially serious eye or skin infections, it will force you to re-evaluate your make up needs - and every woman needs to do that at least once a year! When you head out to the stores to buy items, step out of the box to try a new colour or a new make up product

6. Keep up with your hair colouring.

If you're wearing a shade you just can't bear to change, make sure you touch up those roots every 4 weeks. If the time - or the expense - doesn't permit that kind of attention, then think about having your hair professionally highlighted and low lighted - a mixture of many shades and tones of basic colors like honey blonde, or chestnut brown. The look lasts for up to six months without a touch up.

7. Trade in your shower gel for a moisturising bar of soap. Did you ever wonder why the ingredients label on your shower gel is two inches long and filled with chemical terms you can't pronounce - while the ingredients on an average bar of beauty soap is just one sentence? Most gels contain chemicals, dyes, foaming agents, and lots of drying alcohol - all things your skin doesn't need. Try a daily shower with a moisturising soap instead - and see your entire body complexion come alive in just 14 days or less. And - you'll save money too!

8. Wear a bronzer all year long. Most women think of a powder bronzer as a summertime treat. Just a quick pouf of powder on the bridge of your nose, the tops of your cheeks, and round the outer rim of your forehead will give you a glow.

9. Take a calcium/vitamin D supplement every day. While many women believe calcium is only important if you're pregnant - or post menopausal - the truth is women of all ages need this vital mineral to maintain a strong and healthy skeleton - and protect against broken bones. What you may not realise: Studies show women in their 20's need this protection as much as women in their 50's! But that's not all! The latest research shows getting adequate calcium may also help keep skin looking younger longer! And since we're all staying out the sun, the vitamin D is essential to make sure the calcium you take is absorbed. Try it for a month - you'll see a difference!

10. Wear fragrance every day! Even if you're just spending the day doing laundry or cleaning the bathroom, studies show that wearing your favourite fragrance is a great way to lift your mood and keep energy levels high. Starting your day with a dousing of fragrance will also make you feel special - and that can affect how you act and react during the entire day. If you can't afford to use your favourite pricey designer fragrance every day, look for scented body lotions or anoint your pulse points with a fragrant bath oil.

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Morgan & West tour Dorset's village halls during January
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THURSDAY JANUARY 3RD

BRIDPORT: Coffee & Chat at Beach & Barnicott, upstairs at 2.30pm. Organised by 50 Plus Circle of Friends. An easy and comfortable way of meeting and making new friends. Please call Jennifer at 01308 538395 for more info.

FRIDAY JANUARY 4TH

BRIDPORT: Deer Management in Dorset, an illustrated talk for the West Dorset group of the Dorset Wildlife Trust, by Jan Andrews, Professional Deer Manager/Consultant, Roebuck Deer Management. From 7.30pm at Bridport United Church Hall, East Street. £2 for members, £3 for non-members, for more details call 01308 423442 for more details.

SATURDAY JANUARY 5TH

UPLYME: Ballroom Latin and some Sequence Dancing at Uplyme Village Hall, from 8pm-10.30pm. £4.50 per person in aid of hall funds. For more details call 01297 442439.

MONDAY JANUARY 7TH

EYPE, BRIDPORT: Aqua-Fit class, 12.30-1.30pm, Highlands End, Eype. Water exercise for a low-impact workout. £3.50 per session. For more details call 07970 879 047.

TUESDAY JANUARY 8TH

BEAMINSTER: Beaminster and District Camera Club: Critique of Yeovil DVD. Agree subject for Kingswood Salver 2013. At Beaminster Museum from 7.30pm. Telephone Harry Worthington on 01308 862453 for more details.

LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Art Society. A demonstration of painting a portrait in Oil paints by Mike Bragg at Woodmead Halls, 2 - 4 p.m. Non-members welcome for admission of £4. Call Sheila on 01297 442166 for more information.

BRIDPORT: Patrick Stokes will tell Bridport History Society about the 'Family of Jane Austen' in the United Church, Main Hall, East Street from 2.30pm. All welcome, visitors £2.50

THURSDAY JANUARY 10TH

BRIDPORT: Coffee & Chat at Beach & Barnicott, up-

Time Travelling Magicians

Morgan & West: Magicians, Time Travellers and all-round spiffing chaps!



AS PART of Artsreach's autumn programme, Victorian magicians Morgan & West stormed their way around the county, baffling audiences with their award-winning show. Now this magic duo who were crowned winners of ITV's 'Penn & Teller Fool Us' are back this spring bringing their magical extravaganza to a millennium near you. Stuffed to the brim with laughs, gasps and audience interaction, and brimming over with baffling magic and unparalleled precognitive powers, this pair of temporal tricksters burst into the 21st century with their trademark mixture of magic, wit and whimsy. Lauded by Paul Daniels and a huge hit at Edinburgh Festival 2011, Morgan & West's award-winning stage show 'Time Travelling Magicians' is suitable for all the family.

For a hugely entertaining night out, don't miss the chance to catch this pair of Victorian time travellers at a village hall near you this month. Blink and you'll miss it! Early booking is recommended

The duo will perform at the following village halls in January: Shipton St George, Wednesday, 16th (telephone 01308 897562 for more details and tickets); Evershot, Thursday 17th (01935 83471); Cerne Abbas, Saturday, 19th (01300 341332); and Martinstown on Sunday, 20th (01305 889963)

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FRIDAY JANUARY 11TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting. Competition: Hobbyist and watch the WCPF judging DVD. At Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. For more details call 01297 444733 or visit www.lymebayphotographicclub.org

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16TH

EYPE: West Dorset Decorative Fine Arts Society (a member of NADFAS) Illustrated talk by Mr Julian Halsby: 'The Butterfly on the Lagoon: Whistler in Venice'. At Highlands End Leisure Centre from 2.30pm. For membership details call 07972 472029.

THURSDAY JANUARY 17TH

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SUNDAY JANUARY 20TH

BRIDPORT: Archaeologist Chris Tripp presents 'Grave Concerns - the archaeology of burial and ritual'. 7-9pm at Quaker Meeting Hall. First of ten weekly sessions (every Sunday 7-9pm). Price is £10 per session per person. Refreshments and two site visits included. For more details call 0776 869 51 62, email tripp.chris60@gmail.com or visit <http://xcavate.blogspot.com>

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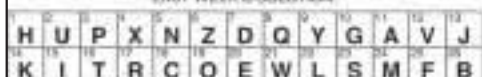
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fill the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

4. Direct mail (7)
8. A group of directors on the ship (6)
9. Consider as belonging to a literary writer (7)
10. A torrent of words from one in the commercial world (6)
11. Tell in detail about what comes at the end (6)
12. Already engaged but not forthcoming (6)
18. Points and numbers of fundamental importance (6)
20. See 19 Down
21. Small cones are strangely silent (6)
22. Unusually astute about right kind of bearing (7)
23. Wearing fewer clothes - let that be a warning (6)
24. Gunning method for making a verified feature (7)

Down

1. Address upset by those who assign the parts? (7)
2. Raw materials in condition of lowest value (7)
3. He does a deal when revolutionary painting is put up (6)
5. Clara's request causes confusion (6)
6. This answer won't be often found (6)
7. Surrender and refer to arbitration (6)
13. He wins one with a queen (6)
14. To arouse passion in shocking scene (7)
15. A hundred going bankrupt and ceasing to do business (7)
16. Make a savage attack on games player (6)
17. Make a rough plan of southern vessel (6)
- 19 and 20 Ac. It may be formally assumed by the consumer (6-6)

Quick Clues:

Across

4. Lacerate (7)
8. Scanty (6)
9. Modify (7)
10. Small (6)
11. Concur (6)
12. Renegade (6)
18. Vex (6)
20. Renowned (6)
21. Frightened (6)
22. Scorn (7)
23. Jail (6)
24. Deportment (7)

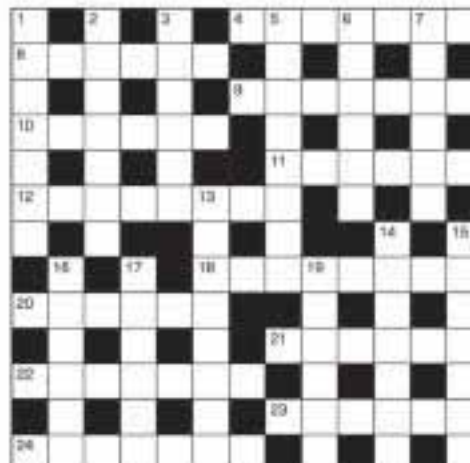
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1. Fend (7)
2. Control (7)
3. Gambol (6)
5. Patterer (6)
6. Overthrow (6)
7. Inevit (6)
13. Neglect (6)
14. Feeling of sickness (7)
15. Principal (7)
16. Ill-will (6)
17. Marvel (6)
19. Tell (6)



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Stand in awe; 2 Ann; 3 Appom; 4 Limes; 5 Shallow; 6 Ashore; 7 Look-out; 8 Sun up; 9 Suspender; 10 Em; 11 Left-handers. Down: 2 Tern; 3 Neons; 4 Tipped; 5 Lenses; 6 Still more; 7 Mollie; 8 Snow leopard; 9 Repousse; 10 Claret; 11 Shade; 12 Shred; 13 Ear; 14 QUICK - Across: 1 Countenance; 2 Oct; 3 Elevation; 4 Cath; 5 Plodder; 6 Reaper; 7 Behind; 8 Asap; 9 Spit; 10 Calcutta; 11 Ah; 12 Sideliness. Down: 2 Oct; 3 Noddy; 4 Excerpt; 5 A to mode; 6 Crickler; 7 Concordance; 8 Incidentally; 9 Traveller; 10 Enthus; 11 Snow; 12 Short; 13 Aaa.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:



Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

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The letter represented by the question mark is N. Bolanais, Browning, Tennyson, all English poets.



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TOO SCARED TO LEAVE THE HOUSE

Lee Hurst comes to Bridport on first proper tour in ten years!

LEE HURST is back on the road folks! After a ten-year absence and a few warm up dates, Lee is properly back on the road. Having kicked off in Trowbridge in September, Lee's brand new show *Too Scared To Leave The House* will tour up and down the country until April 2013, stopping off in Bridport this January.

Former star of BBC's *They Think It's All Over*, Lee will cast his comedy eyes over the many end-of-the-world scare stories from Acid Rain and Global Warming to Bird Flu and Mad Cow Disease. He will muse over the everyday dangers that face us in our daily lives. Lee believes you have a choice, stay indoors clutching a Ray Mears book or go out and laugh in the face of doom.

Lee has taken time out during his 40's to run his Backyard Comedy Club in the East End of London, but with his fiftieth Birthday around the corner, he can't wait to get back on the road and connect with his UK audience again. Fans have already communicated their excitement through social networking and members of the younger generation are now discovering him through their parents.

Recently Lee has added 'Building Developer' to his CV. He demolished his comedy club in Bethnal Green and he is developing the site into a seven storey hotel. Once completed Lee will re-open his Backyard Comedy Club on the ground floor along with a bar/pub.

Lee Hurst will perform at Bridport's Electric Palace on Saturday, January

26th. Doors open 6.30pm for 8pm start. Tickets cost £12 (plus booking fee) and are available online at www.seetickets.com or by calling the box office on 424901.

Lee Hurst



Swimfit into the New Year at Bridport Leisure Centre!

WITH 2013 here make Swimfit your New Year's resolution and get motivated for a fitter, healthier you! British Gas Swimfit, the world leading pool workout programme, combines a range of length based and goal based sessions to keep you motivated to go to greater lengths in every swim.

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Pick up a Swimfit Activate session card from poolside and see for yourself why swimmers all over the country are choosing Swimfit!

Budapest Café Orchestra return to the Marine Theatre

AFTER their hit performance at the Marine Theatre last year, The Budapest Café Orchestra return to Lyme Regis to take away your January blues.

The Budapest Café Orchestra delivers the richness and dynamism of Balkan music in all its untameable glory. Featuring a wide-ranging programme of impassioned Hungarian Czardas, tender Russian folk melodies, rollicking dances from Romania and Moldavia, bittersweet Jewish laments, as well as their own

electrifying compositions, the music evokes vivid images of Tzigane fiddle maestros, Budapest café life and gypsy campfires - good enough to make you want to book a holiday along the Danube!

The Budapest Café Orchestra are at The Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Thursday, January 24th. Doors open 7.45pm with the band onstage at 8.30pm. Tickets cost £13 or £11 concessions, and are available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling the box office on 01297 332138.

Budapest Café Orchestra



Jackie goes Jurassic for Folk Guest Night

JACKIE Oates is well known as a star in folk circles, but for those who haven't heard her, pin back your ears: Jackie Oates is winner of two BBC Folk Awards 2009, was short-listed for the fRoots Critics Poll Album 2009 with her album 'Hyperboreans', reached No. 5 - Mojo Folk Album of the Year Chart 2009 for the same album, was nominated for three BBC Folk Awards 2010 and is an Associate Artist of EFDSS. Formerly a member of the Mercury-nominated Rachel Unthank and The Winterset, she left the band in 2007 to pursue a solo career. A swathe of glowing national reviews came with the 2008 release of her album 'The Violet Hour' soon after, with the album going on to be one of Mojo's top ten folk albums of the year in 2008. The new year saw Jackie walking away with a remarkable two 2009 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards including the Horizon Award for best newcomer, the award which had alluded her the year before. Jackie Oates, solo artist, had arrived. Newly signed to One Little Indian Records, in September 2009 Jackie released 'Hyperboreans' the highly anticipated follow-up to 'The Violet Hour' in the UK. Produced by her brother Jim Moray and featuring a title track written for her by Alasdair Roberts, it sizzled with a new confidence and maturity. She has gone on to do a main stage performance

at Cambridge Folk Festival as well as performing a many other UK festivals including regular performances at Sidmouth. Jackie is also a permanent part of the Imagined Village line up and took part in the 2011/2012 Cecil Sharp Project. Her latest album 'Saturnine' was released in September 2011 and resulted in two nominations in the 2012 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards for best album and folk singer of the year. And if that doesn't convince you, listen to some of the press.

Jackie is accompanied by Tristan Seume, who is one of the UK's leading acoustic guitarists as a soloist,

accompanist and session musician, and is a regular member of Jackie's band. And support on this fabulous night will be provided by Mark Waistell, a superb singer/songwriter, who would warrant a complete page to tell you of his fascinating story, but we haven't space for that so best just come along on the night. It all happens at Jurassic Folk at the Grove Nite Club, Seaton, on Wednesday, January 9th, doors open 7.45pm. Advance tickets are £8, (£10 on the door if any left), and are available from the website www.eastdevonfolk.org or by phoning 01297 20064.

Jackie Oates



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UPLYME - £210,000



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UPLYME - £299,950



A detached house situated in the pleasant village of Uplyme offering spacious and flexible accommodation. On the ground floor living room and dining room with an additional sitting room with doors opening to the garden which could be used for a number of uses. An L shaped kitchen provides plenty of workspace and ample cupboards. To the first floor master bedroom with recently fitted en-suite shower room, further two bedrooms and a good sized family bathroom. Outside there is a garden with both patio and lawn areas. At the front of the property parking for several vehicles. uPVC double glazing and gas central heating.

LYME REGIS - £525,000



This property is situated in the popular residential area of Colway Lane in Lyme Regis. A detached house built approximately 15 years ago presented in excellent order. The accommodation briefly comprises; entrance hall, downstairs WC, lounge, study, kitchen and utility room and conservatory. On the first floor master bedroom with ensuite, two further bedrooms and bathroom. The property benefits from gas fired central heating and uPVC double glazing throughout. To the rear of the property set in the gardens is a Norwegian pine lodge offering extra accommodation with a living area, kitchen area and shower room. A further workshop and shed. Garage and ample parking.

LYME REGIS - £660,000



A spacious detached house situated on the popular western side of the coastal town of Lyme Regis. Built in 2000 the property of traditional cavity wall construction under a tiled and felted roof, has been very well maintained by the present owner. On the ground floor lounge opening to a fully double glazed conservatory with views to the sea. Fitted kitchen/breakfast room with utility, separate dining room and cloakroom. On the first floor two double en-suite bedrooms, two further double bedrooms and a family bathroom. Driveway, double garage, front and rear gardens, sea views from the rear of the property. Fully double glazed throughout and gas fired central heating.



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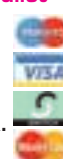
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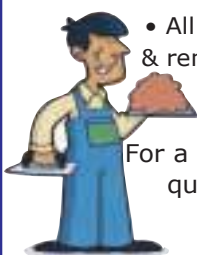
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New Kia Sorento wins special award from Total 4x4

- Sorento wins "Most Improved" award
- Sorento's third win in a row
- "Only an all-new Range Rover could prevent third category win" – Editor says

THE new Kia Sorento has picked up its third Total 4x4 magazine award in a row with a special award for being the "Most Improved" contender.

Launched in the UK and Europe in September, the Sorento has a long list of improvements including a new platform, revised engines, enhanced interior quality and a

smarter, more modern look.

Total 4x4 have twice previously given the Sorento top honours in the "Full-Size" category, but this year it just lost out to the all-new Range Rover.

Editor Alan Kidd said: "The Sorento has won its class in each of the last two years, beating a whole range of premium opposition in the

process. This year's upgrades move it closer than ever to becoming a premium SUV itself; we didn't have many criticisms of the old model, but Kia has addressed every single one of them.

"The Sorento was already one of the best 4x4s on the market; now it's better than ever, and by a long way. Nothing less than an all-new Range Rover could stop it from completing a hat-trick of class wins, and that says a lot about just how good Kia has become at making world-class 4x4s," he added.

Kia Motors (UK) Limited President and CEO Paul Philpott responded: "Sorento has won friends and plaudits throughout its history and we knew just how improved the all-new version is. I am delighted that Total 4x4 continue to agree with us and I don't even mind the fact that it takes something as remarkable as the highly-praised new Range Rover to see us unseated from that top spot.

"Kia's commitment to developing, designing and producing real cars for real people is unquestioned – so I know we shall be looking to win that crown back. And soon!" he added.

The Sorento range comes only with a 2.2 litre turbo-diesel engine and a host of emission-reducing and fuel-stretching features. Available with a choice of manual or automatic transmissions and seven seats as standard the Sorento range starts at £26,495. Kia's industry-leading, fully transferable seven year warranty is also a standard fitment and owners can fix their running costs three years servicing and MOT for just £379.

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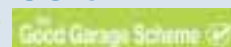
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BMW reveals new version of popular Z4 roadster, for March 2013

- New entry-level BMW Z4 sDrive18i joins range
- Striking Pure Traction Design package revealed
- Enhanced level of standard equipment

BMW has revealed a new version of the popular Z4 roadster which will go on sale in March, 2013 – 80 years after we first offered such an exciting concept. Currently BMW's only two seat drop-top to be offered, the BMW Z4 now comes with a new entry-level sDrive18i, while at the same time the Pure Traction Design package boasts a level of sophistication and high specification not seen on a Z4 before.

The new BMW Z4 sDrive18i engine heralds a new entry point into BMW Z4 ownership. Priced from £27,610 OTR this new derivative uses a de-tuned version of an existing 2.0-litre four-cylinder twin-scroll turbocharged engine. Producing 156hp at 5,000rpm from its 1,997cc powerplant the car is capable of zero to 62mph time of 7.9 seconds before going on to a top speed of 137mph. It manages to do this while still recording 41.5mpg and emissions of just

159g/km.

Some of the existing engines have also received enhancements to improve their overall performance. The BMW Z4 sDrive20i comes with a 184hp engine that achieves 41.5mpg and 159g/km CO2. The model is the most popular derivative of Z4 currently accounting for 80 per cent of sales.

Further up the range and the four-cylinder twin-scroll turbocharged sDrive28i, and the six-cylinder twin-turbocharged sDrive35i and the sDrive35is offer customers greater performance courtesy of their respective 245hp, 306hp and 340hp power outputs. All cars are rated at an electronically-limited 155mph top speed.

Transmitting the power to the road is a six-speed manual gearbox as standard. Customers can also specify an eight-speed automatic with gear shift paddles located on the steering wheel, while buyers of the BMW Z4 sDrive35is have a seven-speed Double Clutch Transmission, again with gear shift paddles, as standard.

EfficientDynamics

All of the latest BMW Z4s come as standard with facets of BMW's award-winning EfficientDynamics programme. Technologies that improve engine performance while enhancing economy and cutting emissions include Brake Energy Regeneration, Electric Power Steering with Servotronic, Reduced Rolling Resistance Tyres, on-demand control of the engine's ancillaries and Optimum Shift Indicator on man-

ual transmission cars. The BMW Z4 also adheres to a philosophy of lightweight construction with the front suspension and subframe being largely made from aluminium.

A new look

Design wise the winning formula of the BMW Z4 styling has only had minor enhancements mid-life. The headlights now include white LED corona rings and a white 'eyebrow' with additional chrome detailing, while in profile the side gill features chrome detailing and LED side repeater lights.

Building on the striking looks of the BMW Z4 is the introduction of the Pure Traction Design package. Available exclusively in Valencia Orange with an optional black contrast roof the model also comes with Sport seats in Alcantara and leather with contrast stitching, Anthracite headlining and a unique metal weave interior trim. Should a customer wish to have another exterior colour this can be offered though. The Pure Traction Design package costs from £550 up to £2,240 depending on the model within the Z4 range it is order on. SE and M Sport derivatives will continue to be offered.

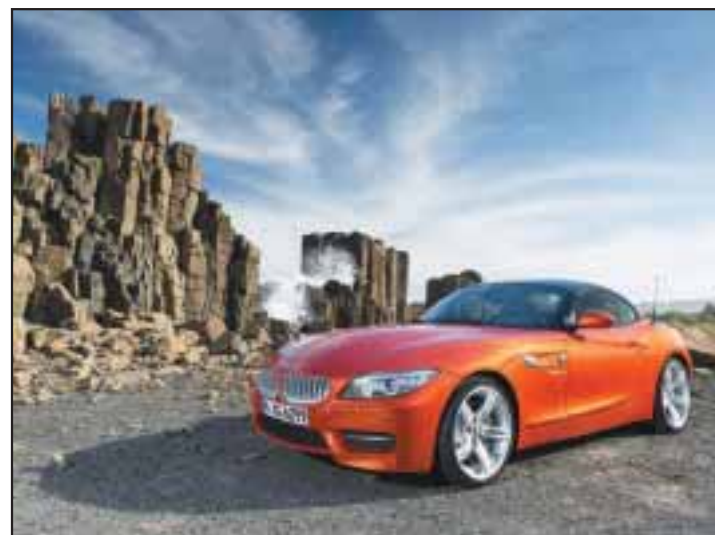
Standard equipment across all models now includes DAB radio, Xenon headlights, Bluetooth, USB connectivity and Sport multi-function steering wheel. All models apart from the new entry-level sDrive18i SE come with Kansas leather upholstery as standard. Three new colours of Mineral Grey, Glacier Silver and Valencia Orange are offered while two new styles of alloy wheel, 17-inch and an 18-inch V-spoke styling wheel are available.

These enhancements build on an already strong offering. The BMW Z4 was the first roadster in BMW's history to come with a two-piece, electro-hydraulically operated Retractable Hard-Top roof that can be raised or lowered in 20 seconds at speeds of up to 20mph. The new roadster was also the first vehicle to be offered with Adaptive M Suspension. Electronically controlled dampers offer three different configurations while the ride height is lowered by 10mm for a more

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The new BMW Z4 goes on sale March, 2013 with prices starting from £27,610 OTR rising to £45,795 OTR.



▲ The new BMW Z4



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Division One
Forton Rangers v Beaminsters Res
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Kingsbury v Farway United Res
Thorncombe Res v Shepton Res

SOMERSET CRICKET CLUB

Buttler hits the heights
as Nosworthy is appointed

SOMERSET county cricket club is making the headlines as 2012 draws to a close and we enter 2013 **WRITES HOWARD LARCOMBE.**

Reigning PCA Player-of-the-year Nick Compton was a vital part of England's successful tour of India.

The 29-year-old batsman compiled four successive vital opening wicket stands of 50+ with his skipper Alastair Cook as England battled back from 1-0 down to take the four-test series 2-1.

Compton's performances were generally solid if unspectacular. A series average of 34.66 (top score 57, 3rd test, Kolkata) is a good start to his fledgling career wearing the three lions.

Admittedly pitches in India were low and slow and a four or even five pronged spin attack didn't make for fluent stroke-play, but a strike rate of 33.93 (against a career figure of 47.63) will see his ability to 'press-on' come under the microscope when the team travels to New Zealand in February for the three-test series.

Attention amongst Somerset supporters turned to Jos Buttler and the two-game T20 mini-series.

In the opening game in

Pune on December 20th the 22-year-old, batting at number six came in England wobbling on 100 for 4 before crashing a 21-ball 34 which included three 6s.

However the hosts eased to a relatively comfortable five-wicket win.

Two days later there was better news for the tourists with Buttler unbeaten with a seven-ball 15 as skipper Eoin Morgan smashed a straight six off the last ball to secure an impressive six wicket triumph.

After returning home to the UK Buttler is joined by Somerset colleague Craig Kieswetter and the pair return to India after the festive break for the five 50 over one day internationals beginning in Rajkot on January 11th.

encouraging news

Back at Taunton there is encouraging news ahead of the 2013 campaign.

Pete Trego, who had such a magnificent 2012 season, has put pen to paper and signed a new three-year contract to stay at the County Ground.

The Weston-super-Mare born all-rounder was crowned FTI Most Valuable Player across all 17 counties

after scoring 897 runs and taking 67 wickets in all competitions.

Trego will be joined by Pakistani Abdur Rehman. The 32-year-old left-arm spinner made an immediate impact in his four championship games for the county last season taking 27 wickets at just 14.18 including a superb haul of 9 for 65



■ **NEW FACE:**
Dave Nosworthy

against Worcestershire at Taunton back in September.

But Rehman also made the headlines off the field for the wrong reasons when he tested positive for cannabis during his 12-

week spell in the country.

Guy Lavender SCCC chief executive said on the club website: "The club in no way condones the use of illegal drugs. It was heartening to see that he admitted his mistake and has been punished accordingly."

"It is now time to move on and I am very confident he will do extremely well for us next season."

A new face for the season sees the arrival of Alvaro Petersen. The 32-year-old batsman is the latest in a long line of South African overseas players turn out at the county ground going right back to the outstanding Jimmy Cook back in 1989-91.

But perhaps the most significant news is the appointment of David Nosworthy as successor to Brian Rose as Director of Cricket.

The South African, 45 on Christmas day, has previously coached the Canterbury Titans in New Zealand and the Highveld Lions in his home country.

Nosworthy tweeted: "I'm delighted & excited to be joining @SomersetCCC as their new Director of Cricket early next year! Big things ahead for sure & can't wait!"

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Successful year
for Tae kwon-
do classes

FOUR local Target TAE tae kwon-do classes celebrated a very successful year with the students attaining a number of achievements.

The classes run by Gerry Waugh achieved 100 per cent Grading Passes including 12 A Passes, eight Grading Awards, 16 Plus Passes, 13 tournament belts and two new black belts.

Awards for the Student of the Year (SOY) and Most Improved Student (MIS) at each school were also made, with Maisie Bellworthy (Charmouth) and Steve Mines (Axminster) winning the Student of the Year for the second year running, a rare achievement.

Winners: Charmouth – SOY: Maisie Bellworthy; MIS: Luke Bearpark, Bridport – SOY: Steve Mines; MIS: Rachel Kelly, Axminster – SOY: Kyle Hughes; MIS: Christian Hand, Sidmouth – SOY: Michael Elsom; MIS: Chloe Glover.

During 2012, Gerry Waugh also successfully balanced instruction with his own progress and has moved up another dan grade.

2013 sees a change at the Bridport class, with Chloe Richards, who currently assists at Charmouth, joining the instruction team.

She has been training with the Tae Kwon-Do Association of Great Britain (TAGB) since she was just 8 years old, lives in Bridport and will continue to build up the classes, currently held in Lodgers Village Hall on Wednesday and Sunday evenings.

Gerry Waugh will continue to teach at Charmouth, Axminster and Sidmouth, but will provide additional cover at Bridport from time to time should Chloe Richards be unavailable.

Full details of the times of the classes can be found at <http://targetagb.co.uk/html/training.html>. Anyone interested in taking a free trial can call Mr Waugh on 01297 639830.



■ **CHLOE Richards**

LYME REGIS CRIBBAGE

RESULTS: Monday, December 17th: Lamb Swans 1 Nags Head LR 4, New Inn Kilmington B 3 New Inn Kilmington A 2, Royal Oak 4 Stepps 1, Axminster Con Club 3 Beer Club 2.

BEER LEAGUE: Lamb Swans 1

Nags Head LR 2, New Inn Kilmington B 3 New Inn Kilmington A 0, Royal Oak 2 Stepps 1, Axminster Con Club 1 Beer Club 2.

FIXTURES

No games until Jan 7th.

Table	Pld	W	L	F	A	Pts
Ship Inn Lyme Regis.....	12	9	3	38	22	38
Nags Head Lyme Regis.....	13	7	6	38	27	38
Beer Club.....	12	8	4	37	23	37
Gerrard Arms Colyton.....	12	7	5	35	25	35
Axminster Con Club.....	13	8	5	34	31	34
New Inn Kilmington B.....	12	6	6	30	30	30
Royal Oak Charmouth.....	12	6	6	29	31	29
Lamb Swans.....	12	5	7	25	35	25
Stepps.....	13	3	10	24	41	24
New Inn Kilmington A.....	11	2	9	15	40	15

Beer League	Pld	W	L	F	A	Pts
Ship Inn Lyme Regis.....	12	9	3	23	13	23
Beer Club.....	12	8	4	19	17	19
Gerrard Arms Colyton.....	12	7	5	19	17	19
Axminster Con Club.....	13	4	9	19	20	19
Lamb Swans.....	12	5	7	18	18	18
Nags Head Lyme Regis.....	13	5	8	18	21	18
Royal Oak Charmouth.....	12	7	5	17	19	17
New Inn Kilmington B.....	12	6	6	17	19	17
Stepps.....	13	4	9	17	22	17
New Inn Kilmington A.....	11	6	5	16	17	16

LYME REGIS DARTS

Division 1 Pld Pts
Nags Head A.....9 18
Rousdon Club.....9 16
Rock Point.....9 10
Nags Z.....9 5
Talbot Arms.....9 4
Royal Standard.....8 1
Most 180s: Martin Herbert (Rousdon Club) 3, three players x2. **Shot out:** 144 Jon Bowditch (Nags Head A).

Results: (Dec 20th) Division One cup SF - Nags Head A 8 Royal Standard 0, Rousdon Club 8 Talbot Arms 0.

League K.O. Cup Semi-Finals to be played on Thursday, January 3rd: Royal Standard v Nags Head A (at Rockpoint), Rockpoint v Rousdon Club (at Royal Standard).

◆ **All Captains please note** George B have with drawn from the league, for more info go to www.lymeregisdarts.leaguerepublic.com

Dorchester & District
Snooker League

RESULTS: Colliton XQ2012 0 Trinity Gooduns 6, West Dorset Club A 6 Purbeck Potters 3, Colliton Hopefuls 5 Colliton Club B 2, Trinity M 6 WDC Whipping Boys 0, Trinity Express 4 West Dorset Club C 4.

30+ breaks: K.Emery 44, S.Rhone 36, G.Bartlett 33, M.Woodroffe 32.

Top Break of the Season: Graham Bartlett (West Dorset Club A) 49.

Table (after week 12)	Pld	W	D	L	N/R	Pts
West Dorset Club C.....	11	7	1	3	0	52
West Dorset Club A.....	10	7	0	3	0	48
Trinity M.....	9	6	1	2	0	40
Purbeck Potters.....	10	5	0	5	0	40
Trinity Gooduns.....	10	4	1	5	0	38
Trinity Express.....	11	5	1	5	0	37
Colliton Hopefuls.....	11	4	0	7	0	37
Colliton Club B.....	10	6	0	4	0	36
Colliton XQ2012.....	11	5	0	6	0	34
Colliton Cons.....	8	4	0	4	0	30
WDC Whipping Boys.....	11	1	0	10	0	20

Team Handicap Knockout Cup - 2nd round

WDC Whipping Boys 2 Colliton Cons 4, Colliton Hopefuls 2 Trinity M 4, Colliton Club B 3 West Dorset Club C 4, Trinity Gooduns 2 Trinity Express 4.

Semi-finals: Colliton Cons v West Dorset Club C (at Trinity Club - February 21st) Trinity Express v Trinity M (at Trinity Club, February 28th).

WEST BAY SEA ANGLING CLUB

Christmas joy for Elliot

ELLIOT Joy had plenty to cheer about before Christmas when he won the final match of West Bay Sea Angling club's junior section's Jurassic League.

However, it was not enough to overhaul the overall winner Keiran Ellison who took the title quite comfortably from Joy despite missing out in December 22nds final match which took place on December 22nd.

The Jurassic League takes place after the main Saturday Junior series and is fished during the months of November and December.

As usual the match took place on the East Pier at West Bay and despite more bad weather predictions, eight brave souls turned up to fish.

As it turned out, the heavy rain did ease off for the first half of the match with only light rain occurring during the second period. Competitors found sea conditions difficult as the overnight rain had caused the river to spate with the result of the sea turning chocolate brown with fresh flood water and no shortage of debris and weed being carried through to the outer harbour and beyond.

As a result fishing proved extremely tough with only three fish; all five-bearded rockling; being caught by two anglers.

On top of the usual prizes the top anglers won Christmas hampers generously provided by Hilary Smith and as there was no third place, this was drawn from a hat and the winner was Charlie Lawson.

Result: 1st: Elliot Joy 86g, 2nd: James Lawrence 31g, Heaviest round fish: Elliot Joy, rockling 55g, First fish:

Elliot Joy, Last fish: Elliot Joy, Wooden spoon: Keiran Ellison

The result meant that Joy secured second place behind Ellison with the final top five in the Jurassic League - 1st: Keiran Ellison 739g, 2nd: Elliot Joy 407g, 3rd: Connor Hallett 388g, 4th: James Lawrence 318g, 5th: Tiana Foot 157g.

The presentations were made after the match at a buffet at the Salthouse, West Bay where 32 competitors, family, friends in fancy dress enjoyed a lovely buffet which this year was most generously provided by Steve and Sally from the Punch and Judy Bakery; many thanks to them for their kindness.

This year's fancy dress had a pirate theme and after the buffet the juniors were judged by guest pirates 'Robinson Wreck' from the Black Wreck Music Project and his ship mate 'Pyrate Jack'. After much deliberation Danny Cowburn was adjudged 'best dressed pirate' from Tiana Foot who was second and Charlie Lawson third.

Donations for the match and league from: Punch & Judy, Hilary Smith, Richard and the late Frank Daw, Kay Guppy, Hugh Rathbone, Cliff Rooney, Gerry Reed, Pat Claydon, Roger Guppy, Dave Chidzoy, John Coombs, John and Frances Hunt and Fred Bowditch. Also thanks to Andrea Joy for all her help with kitchen duties.

The junior secretary would like to thank all those who have supported the junior section over the year and look forward to the beginning of next year's Saturday Juniors which starts on April 6th 2013. Details of this and



■ **PRESENTATION EVENING:** Top: presentations (l-r): Jordan Scholler, Tiana Foot, 'Robinson Wreck' (Black Wreck Music Project), 'Pyrate Jack', Charlie Lawson, Fred Bowditch (president), Keiran Ellison, James Lawrence, Elliot Joy, Jamie Salvador Swords, Roger Guppy (junior/general secretary) and Danny Cowburn. Left inset: Keiran Ellison (overall winner, Jurassic League); centre inset: Danny Cowburn (best dressed pirate); right inset: Elliot Joy (winner, final match).

other club events can be seen on the website: www.west-bay-sea-angling-club.co.uk. Senior shore events continue throughout the winter.

Shore results

THURSDAY DECEMBER 20TH WEST BAY
Heavy rain put off a few members in what was the last Thursday match of 2012, but those that fished found

dogfish and good sized pout from East beach. Steve Fowles fished from the prom to catch a few rockling.

Result: 1st: Hugh Rathbone 3375grms 2 dogfish 6 pout 1 whiting, 2nd: Steve Rathbone 1495grms 1 dogfish 3 pout, 3rd: Steve Fowles 190grms 3 rockling. Heaviest fish pool: Hugh Rathbone dogfish 1010grms.

Bridport & District Darts League

Division One	Pld	Pts
Robs Robbers	11	20
BSC	11	19
All Stars	11	16
Hands of Time	11	15
Knapp Inn	11	15
Nomads	11	14
Young Guns	11	8
New Order	11	6
Elders	11	6
Nags A	11	6
Buttlys	11	4
One for the Road	11	3

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: Steve Smith (BSC) & Terry Prowse (Robs Robbers) both 90.91%. Highest finish: Steve Mudford (Nomads)& Ryan Cross (Young Guns) both 160. Most 180s: Four players x5.

Division Two	Pld	Pts
The Family	10	15
Vikings	10	14
Dat Team	10	14
Odd Bods	10	12
The Surgeons	9	11
Bobs Boys	10	10
Royal Hawks	10	9
Young Darters	9	8
Weigh Anchors	10	7
Midnight Runners	10	5
Rubber Johns	10	3

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: Richard Carter (The Family) 100%. Highest finish: Bill Dedman (Weigh Anchors) 134. Most 180s: 14 players x1.

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Broken Arrows	11	18
Red Devils	11	15
Mozzies Heroes	11	15
Only Just	11	14
The Capercailties	11	13
Poachers	11	13
Anchor Five	10	12
Whamo	11	10
Time Bombs	11	9
Dodgers	10	5
Cavaliers	11	4
Tiger Bees	11	2

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: Andy Page (Capercailties), R.Lee (Anchor Five), R.Chamberlain (Anchor Five) all 100%. Highest finish: Craig Collins (Cavaliers) 123. Most 180s: George Lessey (Poachers) x2.

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Odds & Sods	10	15
Inbetweeners	9	14
Just One More	10	12
Tip Top Odds	9	12
All the King's Men	9	11
Royal Soaks	10	11
Nels Nelson Bitches	9	7
Oakey Coke	8	7
Sorted Odds	9	6
The Dogs Dangle	9	6
Knockers and Nuts	8	5
Mix and Match	8	2

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: J.Prescott (Tip Top Odds) 100%. Highest finish: John Boyle (Royal Soaks) 107. Most 180s: Fran Potter (Sorted Odds) x1.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Tender Trap	9	16
San Souci	9	15
Anchor Aces	9	11
Queen Bees	9	10
Queenies Club	9	9
Sue's Rebels	8	8
Knight n Gals	9	7
Against the Odds	9	6
Kings Arrows	8	5
Odds & Evens	9	1

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: Sarah Chick (Tender Trap) 100%. Highest finish: Janet Collins (Queen Bees) 109. Most 180s: Sarah Chick x2.

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Castaways	8	12
Wildcats	8	10
Good Mates	8	9
Cliff Hangers	8	9
Next Door	8	8
Hopeless	8	8
Charlies Angels	8	7
Anchor Aweigh	8	6
Tiger Stripes	8	3

Stat leaders: Player wins eight or more: Tracy Wayland (Hopeless) 100%. Highest finish: C.Burwood (Wildcats) 90. Most 180s: None.

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LADIES LEAGUE

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BRIDPORT BOWLS Changes over festive period - B team surge to top spot

IN the week before Christmas there were a few changes in fortune for teams in the Bridport Bowling Club's Short Mat League.

By beating leaders Team H 11-5, 5-3, and 1-4, Team B (Sheila Douglas, Chris Taylor, Steve Bartlett, Chris and David Robbins. Pauline and Ian Newitt) took eight points for the second week running to move to the top of the table.

Team C (Margaret Fifield, Mary Marsh, Mac Arthurs, Chris and Brian Neale) beat Team A 9-11, 10-7, 10-4 to swap places, sending their opponents down to sixth and Team G (Alan Brown, Peter Harrison, Sylvia Smith, John Ireland and Les Brake) recorded a 6-4, 5-7, 13-2 victory over Team F.

Team E (Alison Tibble, Janet Bird, Arthur Day, Bill Fox and Allen Bird) shared eight points with Team D (Alan Skelton, Jerry Apted, John Groves, Sue Fox, Peter Billett, Delphine and Billy Street).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Team B	9	5	1	3	195	165	44
Team F	9	6	0	3	203	155	42
Team G	9	4	1	4	180	172	39
Team C	9	5	0	4	185	189	37
Team D	9	4	0	5	182	183	36
Team A	9	4	1	4	183	177	34
Team G	9	4	0	5	185	202	33
Team E	9	2	1	6	160	226	23

BOB BUCKLER RACING

Almost the perfect result

IT was unlikely, barring a disaster, that either of Bob Buckler's runners in the Bettfred Novices' Chase at Ascot just before Christmas was going to win with the highly rated Simonsig in the race, but it almost turned into the perfect race in the circumstances.

Buckler saddled **Sulpis** who was running his third race in eleven days following two wins at Folkestone and Fontwell, and the inexperienced **Ashbourne Folly**, who only returned to racing this month after being sidelined for 20 months after a potentially fatal accident in only his second race of his career.

Outsiders in the five-horse race, Buckler knew if both jumped to their potential he would pick up some rich pickings even for the minor placings.

JE Moore kept Sulpis in touch with the leader Act of Kalanis who dropped back after the sixth and subsequently fell at the next along with Dare Me. Unfortunately they badly hampered Ashbourne Folly who unseated Andrew Glassonbury at the next fence, leaving just Simonsig and Sulpis in the race.

Eventually Barry Geraghty let the Arkle Chase favourite off the bridle and he strode away to a 49 length victory.

But Sulpis maintained his superb jumping form to claim the £6,360 second prize, which with the other prize money being divided among the finishers totalled around

£9k.

Buckler said: "It was almost the perfect result. Unfortunately Ashbourne Folly was badly hampered and almost knocked over by the others falling and being inexperienced in a high class fast race, he didn't quite regain his balance in time for the next fence and unseated Andrew.

"You have to remember that he went straight to chasing after returning from injury so has no hurdling experience and the fences at Ascot are big."

sparkling display

Sulpis who was once again running at the shorter distance of 2m 3f instead of his ideal 3m produced another sparkling display.

"Once again he jumped a lovely round and did very nicely.

"Simonsig is rated at 166 so unless he made a terrible blunder and over the shorter distance he was not going to really worry him, but he picked up £2k more prize money for finishing second than he did in winning his last three races."

There was less to cheer about with Buckler's two other horses that ran.

Dora Canina finished one from last in a 2m bumper at Wincanton on Boxing Day.

"Her problem is speed. She is not very fast, but Giles Hawkins who rode her said she needs three miles.

Chard end year on high

CHARD & District Swimming Club competed in their final competition of 2012 last weekend at the Yeovil Christmas Open Meet held over two days at Millfield writes Hannah Pullinger.

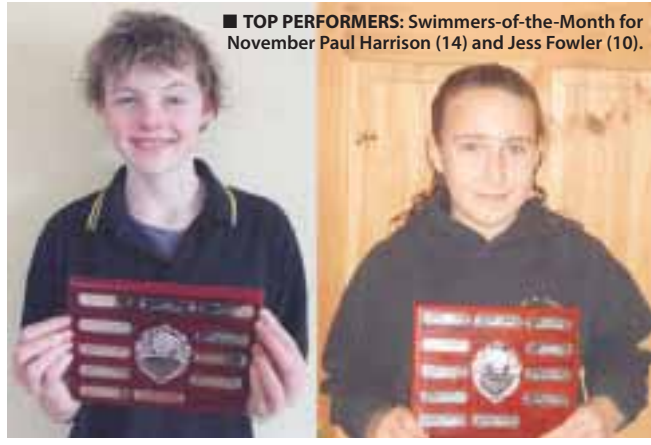
Twenty-five swimmers aged between 9-17 took part, notching up some great performances, gaining 38 top three medal positions; 12 gold, 14 silver and 12 bronze. Twenty-seven regional qualifying times and an amazing 66 county times were also achieved over the two days between the swimmers.

Those winning medals were: (G - gold, S - silver, B - Bronze)

Jake Hallam: (G) 100m freestyle, 100m butterfly, 200m Individual Medley, (S) 100m breaststroke, 200m butterfly; Ben Fowler: (G) 50 and 100m backstroke, (B) 200m backstroke; Abi Dare: (G) 50 and 100m backstroke, (S) 100m freestyle, 200m Individual Medley, (B) 100m freestyle and 50m butterfly;

Melissa Hanson: (G) 400m freestyle, (S) 400m Individual Medley, (B) 200m freestyle; Tessa Down: (G) 50 and 100m breaststroke, (B) 50m backstroke; Elisha Hawkins: (G) 200m breaststroke, (S) 50 and 100m breaststroke; Xanthe Dyer: (G) 200m butterfly; Luke van den Barselaar: (S) 50, 100 and 200m backstroke, 100 and 200m freestyle, 50m butterfly; Hannah Pullinger: (S) 50m freestyle, (B) 100 and 200m breaststroke; Wilf Gosden: (B) 100 and 200m breaststroke, Joe Spurway: (B) 200m freestyle; Alex Phillips: (B) 200m breaststroke; Jamie Pullinger: (B) 200m backstroke.

Other swimmers taking part and achieving many personal best times were: Nathan Roberts, Lauren van den Barselaar, Hope Horsfield, Florence Swan, Abbie Bonning, Jess Fowler, Simon Davis, Holly Dickinson, Leo Bonning, Leonie Housham, Michael Moulding, and Ben Webb.



■ TOP PERFORMERS: Swimmers-of-the-Month for November Paul Harrison (14) and Jess Fowler (10).

BRIDPORT SKITTLES

CUP Fixtures for week beginning Monday, January 7th:

Mens Individuals - 1st Round (no byes - eight winners each alley)

MONDAY, JANUARY 7TH

Clock: S Lee; B Herbert; C Langdon; P Scott; M Hooper; R Frampton; M Horton; L Dare; A Cauldwell; D Cowburn; R Herbert; S Smith; C Barnes; R Pincombe; M Gurd; G Brooks. **King Charles:** B Robinson; J Way; C Willcox; R Pauley; M Powell; H Mills; M Willcox; A Pauley; M Barnes; N Lee; H

Rathbone; G Herbert; J Smith; B Chapple; D Cooper.

Ladies Individuals - 1st Round (no byes - four winners each alley)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9TH

Bradpole Club: M Hansford; V Cozens; A Wiscombe; E Hooper; J Doble; S Newman; C Lambert; V Burt; J Symes. **King Charles:** J Brooks; H Doble; N Zaigler; M Pauley; G Legg; J Cake; C Huxter; S Luter.

DIVISION A	P	W	D	L	Pts
Rockets	7	5	0	2	10
Rough Eight	7	5	0	2	10
Smithys Boys	6	5	0	1	10
Nelson Nobblers	6	4	0	2	8
Wanders	4	4	0	0	8
Rejects	7	3	0	4	6
Shipfaced	7	3	0	4	6
Slingers	7	3	0	4	6
Broadoak	6	2	0	4	4
Masters	5	2	0	3	4
Outsiders	7	2	0	5	4
Lively Lads	7	0	0	7	0

DIVISION B	P	W	D	L	Pts
Denhay Farm	5	5	0	0	10
RIP	5	4	1	0	9
NBC	5	4	0	1	8
Dingbats	6	3	0	3	6
Miss the Ball	6	3	0	3	6
Gerryatics	4	2	0	2	4
Pinseekers	6	2	0	4	4
U Know the Bokes	4	2	0	2	4
The Dingles	5	1	1	3	3
7" Clock	6	1	0	5	2
Groundhogs	6	1	0	5	2

DIVISION C	P	W	D	L	Pts
Crazy Gang	7	5	0	2	10
Castouts	6	4	0	2	8
Mean Machine	6	4	0	2	8
Strawpeedoes	7	4	0	3	8
Bangers	6	3	0	3	6
Originals	5	3	0	2	6
Pioneers	6	3	0	3	6
Swimming Club	6	3	0	3	6
Bulldogs	6	2	0	4	4
Countrymen	6	2	0	4	4
LHS	7	1	0	6	2

DIVISION D	P	W	D	L	Pts
Wots their names	7	5	0	2	10
Aussies Lot	6	4	0	2	8
Let em Roll	5	4	0	1	8
Whisky Chasers	7	4	0	3	8
AFAR	5	3	0	2	6
Featherbeds	6	3	0	3	6
Survivors	5	3	0	2	6
Unknowns	6	2	0	4	4
Alcoholics	4	1	0	3	2
Offcuts	6	1	0	5	2
Rob's Rebels	5	1	0	4	2

Stats: **Highest individual score:** M.Tozer (Smithys Boys) 93. **Medal winners:** N.Gurd (Broadoak) 92, S.Read (U know the Bokes) 91, G.Brooks (Rockets), S.Light (Broadoak), M.Matterface (Miss the Ball), N.Willcox (Smithys Boys) and R.Wyatt (Outsiders) all 90. **Medal winners (cup scores of 90+):** D.Cooper (Wanderers) 98, M.Horton (Wanderers) 92.

LADIES DIVISION	P	W	D	L	Pts
Alleycats	7	7	0	0	14
Hidden Talent	6	5	0	1	10
Yo yo's	5	5	0	0	10
Ginger Gales	5	3	0	2	6
Pinbashers	6	2	0	4	4
Tiger Lilies	6	2	0	4	4
Brandy Snaps	4	1	1	2	3
Bad Girls	4	0	1	3	1
No Problem	5	0	0	5	0
The Shitzues	4	0	0	4	0

Highest Individual league score: G.Legg (Brandy Snaps) 81.

MISSING RESULTS

Cup week - August 27th: Ginger Gales v Pinbashers (Ladies Nomination).
League week September 17th: Denhay Farm v gerryatics, Survivors v Let em Roll, The Shitzues v Brandy Snaps.
League week September 24th: Groundhogs v U Know the Bokes.
League week October 1st: Survivors v Alcoholics.
League week October 15th: Wanderers v Broadoak, Let em Roll v AFAR, Alcoholics v Rob's Rebels, Ginger Gales v Bad Girls.
League week October 22nd: NBC v The Dingles, RIP v U Know the Bokes.
League week October 29th: Wanderers v Smithys Boys, Masters v Nelson Nobblers, U know the Bokes v NBC, Yo yo's v Bad Girls.
League week October 12th: Wanderers v Masters, Gerryatics v Miss the ball, Swimming Club v Originals.

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INSIDE: Comprehensive local sport round-up

Rain, rain go away!

AFTER an enforced 'mid-season break' five of the region's six teams are scheduled to return to competitive active action on Saturday.

Whether all five do remains doubtful give the seemingly endless run of rain-fall the country is experiencing.

The Lyme Regis first team head north to take on Shepton Beauchamp. The South Somerset side have made a steady start to life in the top division after an absence of eight years during which time they clinched back-to-back promotions.

But their three and a half year unbeaten home record was shattered recently when they were hammered 8-0 by Millway Rise.

On that day Shepton had Kris Hastings and skipper Doug Whitfield, both influential centre-backs, suspended so the Seaside, still lying in second place in the Perry Street League premier division should not expect a repeat.

In division one Lyme Regis Reserves

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entertain West & Middle Chinnock at the Davey Fort (2pm kick-off).

The Chinnocks are looking a good bet to make an instant return to the premier division after their relegation last May.

A strong Lyme line-up won 2-0 when the two met at the Fort back in September and manager Gerard Hitchcock will be keen to start 2013 by taking something from the game as see his team edge away from the drop zone.

Lyme Bantams also have a tough looking start to the New Year with the visit of promotion-chasing Winsham United Reserves.

The Seaside were wrong end of a 9-1 one score line as they suffered their worst defeat in six years in the reverse fixture, kick-off at the Woodroffe school

is 2pm.

Over the county border the Uplyme first team, currently lying second in the division two table, will be frustrated at having no fixture at the weekend.

The blank weekend means 'the Swallows' will have been without a game for over month hardly ideal preparation as they continue their quest for a return to division one after an absence of six long years.

After a tough season so far Uplyme Reserves turn their attention to the Kenny Hodges cup and a first round tie against Forton Rangers Reserves at Venlake. Kick-off is 2pm with a home quarter-final against Farway United Reserves the incentive.

Over at Barrs Lane Charmouth will do well to build on a decent run that has yielded three wins from six outings when they entertain current division two leaders Dowlsh & Donyatt (2pm ko).

Euro's target

■ **STRENGTH AND POISE:** Woodroffe School pupil Buster Tutcher (13) performs a 'one arm crocodile on head balance' on partner Ashley Wallis (13).

The pair recently secured third place in the British age group Gymnastic Championships and now have their sights set firmly on a qualifying for the European championships held in Portugal in October.



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